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East German railroads to purchase an additional 20,000 freight cars from the USSR

1. On 10 May 1952, Erwin Kramer, head of the Deutsche Reichsbahn Generaldirektion, Berlin, flew to Moscow; he returned to Berlin on 15 May 1952.¹ The purpose of Kramer's visit was believed to be connected with Germany's buying back 20,000 freight cars from the USSR. These cars were formerly the property of the German railroads. Cars from the former Baltic countries were also included.
2. Payment for the 20,000 cars would probably be settled by offsetting cost against the transport work carried out by East Germany on behalf of the USSR.

The total receipts of the Deutsche Reichsbahn during 1951

3. The total receipts by the Deutsch Reichsbahn during 1951:

Net profit
Director fund (Direktorfond)

DM 879,363,826.00
144,512,063.00
22,668,560.00

(All in East Marks)

Locomotive Inspection

4. A general inspection of all locomotives in East Germany was started on 5 May 1952 and was due to be completed on 26 June 1952.

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